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Mr. M. S. SRESHTA :—" May I know on what principle distribution is made from this fund to the various districts? "

The hon. the RAJA OF BOBBILI :—" Government take into consideration the urgency and importance of the various schemes submitted and then recommend to the Government of India for sanction."

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" Have the Government any considered programme by which each district will sooner or later benefit by this fund? "

The hon. the RAJA OF BOBBILI :—" They have no definite programme laid down. It is, however, the intention of Government to distribute the benefits to all the districts."

Khan Bahadur MAHMUD SCHAMNAD SAHIB Bahadur :—" May I ask whether grants have been made from this fund for constructing bridges in the Nellore district? "

The hon. the RAJA OF BOBBILI :—" I believe funds have been made available for some districts."

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED :—" May I know why no contribution has been made out of this fund for the repair of the Great Southern Trunk Road at South Arcot? "

The hon. the RAJA OF BOBBILI :—" The available amount has been sanctioned for various purposes."

Mr. M. S. SRESHTA :—" May I enquire whether, in the matter of roads, South Kanara is worse than practically every other district? "

The hon. the RAJA OF BOBBILI :—" I have no personal knowledge, Sir."

B. POCKER SAHIB Bahadur :—" May I know whether item (3), viz., improvements to the Madras-Calicut Trunk road and extension—first section from Calicut southwards, furnished in the appendix to the answer to this question, does not cover trunk roads in the district of South Kanara also? "

The hon. the RAJA OF BOBBILI :—" I must ask for notice."

Construction of a bridge between Chidambaram and Bhavanagiri.

* 281 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED : Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any amount was sanctioned by the Government to the district board of South Arcot for the construction of a bridge between Chidambaram and Bhavanagiri;

(*b*) if so, what the amount is and when the same was sanctioned;

(*c*) whether the construction of the bridge has been completed; and

(*d*) if not, when the same is to be completed; and what the total cost thereof is?

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A.—(*a*) & (*b*) No amount has been sanctioned.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) The application of the District Board will be considered in connexion with the Budget for 1934–35 and if sanctioned, the work is expected to be completed in 1935–36. The total cost is estimated at Rs. 1,81,000.

Mr. Basheer Ahamed Sayeed:—" May I know when the application from the district board was received and when the amount will be sanctioned? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili:—" I cannot give the exact date of receipt of the application. The application has been received and will be considered in connexion with the budget for 1934–35."

Construction of a bridge across the Amaravathi between Dharapuram and Alangiam.

* 282 *Q.*—Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any amount was sanctioned to the district board of Coimbatore for the construction of a bridge across the Amaravathi between Dharapuram and Alangiam;

(*b*) if so, what the amount is and when the same was sanctioned;

(*c*) whether the bridge has been since constructed; and

(*d*) if not, what stage the construction has reached and when it will be completed?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) No amount has been sanctioned.

(*c*) & (*d*) The Government have no information.

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed:—" May I request the hon. Minister to call for information in regard to clause (*d*) and place it before the Council? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili:—" As far as I am aware, no work has been started."

Religious and Charitable Endowments

Detailed statement regarding Muslim endowments.

* 283 *Q.*—S. M. K. Beyabani Sahib Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state whether the Government have prepared any statement showing detailed information regarding Muslim endowments under the following heads:—

(1) Name of original donor; (2) name of donee; (3) extent; (4) name of institution; and (5) the present enjoyer?

A.—No.

S. M. K. Beyabani Sahib Bahadur:—" May I know whether the Government will call for the information? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili:—" All the information available was placed in the Council Library in connexion with a question answered in October last."